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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

JAMES THORNTON,

Plaintiff,

v.

WAL-MART STORES, INC.,

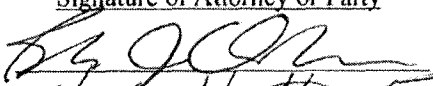
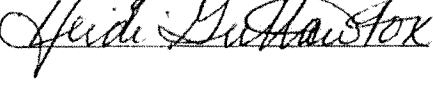
Defendant

Case Number: <sup>4</sup>8:10-cv-003243

**CONSENT TO EXERCISE  
OF JURISDICTION BY A  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
AND  
ORDER OF REFERENCE**

**CONSENT TO EXERCISE OF JURISDICTION BY A UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

In accordance with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(c) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 73, the parties in this case hereby voluntarily consent to have a United States magistrate judge conduct any and all further proceedings in the case, including the trial, and order the entry of a final judgment. Any appeal shall be taken to the United States court of appeals for this circuit.

<u>Signature of Attorney or Party</u>	<u>Name of Party</u>	<u>Date</u>
	For Plaintiff, James Thornton	<u>10/14/11</u>
	For Defendant, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.	<u>10/13/11</u>
_____	For _____	_____
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_____	For _____	_____

**ORDER OF REFERENCE**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case be referred to the Honorable Judge Zwart, United States Magistrate Judge, for all further proceedings and the entry of judgment in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), Fed. R. Civ. P. 73 and the foregoing consent of the parties.

<u>10/18/11</u> Date	<u>s/ Richard G. Kopf</u> United States District Judge
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